

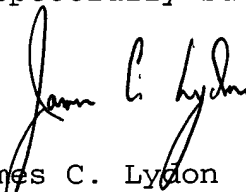
REMARKS

This Preliminary Amendment cancels claims 1-12, adds new claims 13-24, and presents a substitute abstract. New claims 13-24 are based on original claims 1-12 but do not contain multiple dependencies or reference numerals. The new abstract is based on the PCT abstract. Claims 13-24 are pending.

It is not believed any fee is required for entry and consideration of this Preliminary Amendment. Nevertheless, the Commissioner is authorized to charge our Deposit Account No. 50-1258 in the amount of any such required fee.

Prompt and favorable examination of the application are earnestly requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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